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1. NEWS OF HAPPENINGS IN LISBON FILTERING THROUGH POPULACE VIA BBC, SOUTH AFRICA RADIO AND FRENCH LANGUAGE BROADCASTS FOR KINSHASA AND BRAZZAVILLE. LOCAL STATIONS REMAIN NON-COMMITTAL AND SAY GOVERNMENT HERE IS AWAITING MORE DEFINITE INFORMATION.

2. CITY NORMAL. BANKS OPEN. MILITARY NOT CONFINED TO BARRACKS NOR ON ANY NOTICEABLE STATE OF ALERT. OPVDCA (MILITIA) HAVE GREATLY BEEFED UP GUARDS AND ARMAMENTS AROUND LOCAL HQ. NO INCREASED SECURITY OUTSIDE GOVGEN'S OFFICE, ON GOVERNMENT HILL, OR AT MAIN ARMY OR PAF BASES AS OF 1500 HOURS LOCAL.

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